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Votes For Big Bond Issue

The largest bond issue ever submitted in any county in Texas and one of the largest voted anywhere in the country was ratified by a big majority recently in Dallas County, Tex. It provides \$6,500,000 for a complete belt line around the county, with 12 roads radiating from Dallas to all sections and 6 intermediate roads connecting the radial highway. The system provides for 332 miles of road, and in addition feeder roads amounting to about 100 miles will be improved by the decrease in maintenance expenses. Federal aid amounting to \$250,000 had been allotted to Dallas County for its highway development, and it is expected that a number of motor trucks will be assigned to assist in the construction work. The favorable reception of the of the big bond issue in this county is expected by officials of the Bureau of Public Roads, United States Department of Agriculture, to have a favorable effect on similar proposals elsewhere. Road building in Texas is at high tide. State highway engineers estimate that more than \$20,000,000 worth of roads are now under construction.

G. O. P. Did It

"Congress has justified the faith of American women," declares Mrs. Maude Wood Park, referring to the passage of the suffrage amendment. And it was a republican congress. Do not forget that. Had Mr. Wilson urged four years ago the passage of the amendment with the insistence which he has urged the passage of some of his pet socialistic projects, the women would have voted in the 1916 election.

Good Roads Save Money

The improved roads of Milwaukee County, Wis., save \$25,000 a day to the people who use them. This is the estimate of the county commissioner of highway, as reported to the Bureau of Public Roads of the United States Department of Agriculture. The statistics are based on a census of the traffic taken periodically during the past four years. The census is made by selecting 52 points scattered throughout the county, and making seven counts at each point, one for every day of the week. The count is not made on consecutive days, but at various periods from April to November, so as to arrive at average conditions. This census is taken to determine the durability of certain types of pavement, according to the amount of traffic a square yard. It shows that about 25,000 vehicles of all kinds travel the highways each day. Traffic on the road has increased about 42 per cent a year during the four years in which the survey has been made.

Our Lesson

While the world is getting back on a peace basis, some of our industries may get along without a protective tariff, but this much is certain—a protective tariff can do no harm and may do a lot of good later. We neglected preparedness once to our sorrow.

Gazette:—General Pershing has warned the American doughboys to think twice before marrying foreign brides. But why? The United States of America is asked to marry all Europe and Asia without even thinking once.

LOVE THE STARS AND STRIPES

The Campaign of Thrift Under Auspices of Treasury Department Vast Aid to Americanization.

During the war ordeal millions of men, women and children born abroad have stood staunchly by the United States. Their hearts, their service and their dollars proved their loyalty again and again. While sentimental sympathy attached them to the soil of their nativity, they clung to the land where they had found the liberty of their dreams.

Another duty and another opportunity has come to these foreign-born loyal millions to help uphold the government of freedom. The War Savings Stamp Campaign this year affords a special chance for reiteration of patriotic sacrifice and service.

The participation of the foreign-born in the nation-wide purchase of these stamps has a special significance. Naturally the native should aid his government, but the same aid by the foreign-born means a double devotion to the Stars and Stripes in that it requires the alien to tear asunder the ties that bind him to his native soil.

The son of alien birth, through the strength of every War Savings Stamp purchased, becomes just as much an integral part of the national fabric as the son of seven generations of American birth. He is woven into the national texture so closely and strongly that the completed product of the patriot loom reveals not where the native strand begins and the foreign ends. Every War Savings Stamp in the progress of purchase is another movement of the governmental shuttle in the hands of the treasury weaver. Every alien-born who buys his stamp is of equal fabric strength to his native-born brother.

The cost of the new stamp ranges from \$4.12 in January to \$4.23 in December. The Government promises to pay \$5 for each stamp on January 1, 1924. This represents a return of 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly.

Governmental expenses and governmental obligations mount high even though the clash of arms has ceased abroad. There is a tremendous outlay necessary for the transportation of hundreds of thousands of troops from France to the United States. There are social and economic necessities at home requiring immense sums. The sum to be raised from the New War Stamp issue will be applied toward meeting all these necessities. The foreign born purchasers of stamps will give timely, loyal and efficient aid to the Government of their adopted land.

ROSES AID SAVING HABIT.

Washington, D. C., Woman Cot Her Inspiration From Flower in Florist's Window.

A unique plan to stimulate the habit of saving among his customers has been devised and put into practice by F. H. Kramer, a Washington florist. For every Thrift Stamp purchased at his shop he gives an American Beauty rose, and for every War Savings Stamp six roses are given.

"It is not only good advertising for me, but it oftentimes marks the beginning of habits of saving in persons who, heretofore, have never evinced a desire to be thrifty," said the florist.

Here is an example. A woman came into my shop some time ago. She saw the Government's War Savings Stamp sign on the shop window. Then she spotted my own sign offering roses. She bought a Thrift Stamp and received a rose. She placed the stamp in the regulation folder, and since that day she has visited the shop quite regularly. She doesn't accept the rose any more, but she insists that it was my inducement that lead her to buy Thrift and War Savings Stamps. Most folks, after they buy one War Savings Stamp or Thrift Stamp, are not content until they fill their certificates. That seems to be a trait of human nature—at least that is my observation."

A Provident Janitor.

When George P. Adams, one of the organizers for Missouri in the War Savings Organization, went to Moberly to organize War Savings societies he was discouraged when he sought to create a society in one of the big shoe factories. Work had not been steady, and the high cost of living were excuses given. But Adams did not give up. He made a talk, the society was organized, and a janitor who was an interested spectator bought \$400 worth of War Savings Stamps on the spot.

"Nothing is final," said Napoleon, after Jena. In days of prosperity insure against emergencies. Buy financial safety with War Savings stamps.

More saving, less slaving. This is thrift year.

Meadville chautauqua, Aug. 23-31

STATE AND COUNTY

Linn and Neighboring County News Briefly Recorded

The people of Howell county voted 6 to 1 for a bond issue of a half million dollars for hard surfaced roads. Surveying will begin at once.

The cities have had paved streets for years and now the rural districts and farmers are catching up and are to have hard surfaced roads.

C. E. Kelley, ex-county treasurer, has sold his 360 acre farm in Yellow Creek township for \$125 per acre. He paid \$30 per acre for the farm 20 years ago.

S. M. Acker has sold his farm of 252 acres 4 miles west of Linn to an Iowa man at \$150 per acre. He will give possession next March moving to Cass county.

If the League of Nations will not only stop but prevent all wars why not give a demonstration by invoking its power in the case of Senator Reed and the administration.

The Purdin Enterprise has suspended for two weeks during which time Editor Rice will go to his childhood home and visit his brothers and sisters whom he has not seen for 30 years.

R. D. Jay, for several years county agricultural agent for Carroll county, has resigned to become general manager of the elevator the Farmer Union recently purchased at Carrollton.

Police reports show that crimes have decreased more than 50 per cent in Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and other cities since the closing of the saloons July 1. This is an unanswerable argument for prohibition and the longer the saloons are closed the stronger the sentiment against the liquor traffic will grow.

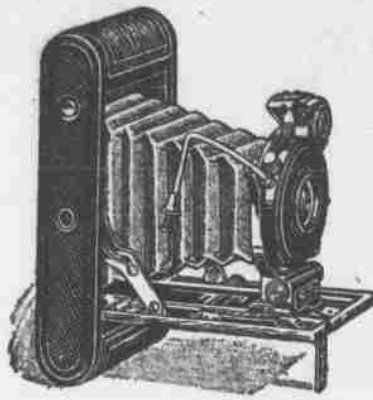
Sumner Star:—The first wheat threshed in this section, that we learn of, was that of R. K. Bedell on the Frank Clark place north of town. It averaged a little over 22 bushels to the acre, and was a great deal more than the "experts" had figured it. Wheat up in the Forker neighborhood is turning out about 22 bushels to the acre, and down in the Ridge country the yield is extra good.

Meadville Messenger:—The Black Bros new brick building, which by the way is the nicest in Meadville, was rented yesterday to the Farmers' Produce, Feed & Coal Co., who intend putting in sometime next month an up-to-date line of dry goods. This is something the town has been sadly in need of, considerable trade leaving Meadville on that account. There is no question but that the farmers will make a success of their new undertaking.

Cameron Daily Observer:—Major Francis A. Englehart and Capt. Alva F. Englehart, who were here to attend the wedding of their sister, Miss Marguerite to Will Russell, will depart Thursday, the former to Bennington, Vt., where, with his family he is spending the summer in vacation, following which he will resume his duties as instructor at West Point. Capt. Englehart will return to Ft. Tatten, N. Y., where he has command of the coast artillery.

Misses Genevieve and Bernadine Robison of Laclede are visiting at the home of their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Robison on rural route No. 2.—Budget.

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